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## IN THE DRAWINGS:

The applicant has submitted concurrently herewith a request for approval of drawing changes in which Figs. 1 and 2 have been amended to be consistent with the U.S. practice, i.e., in Fig. 1, reference sign "Ib" is replaced with --1(b)--, and in Fig. 2, reference signs --C1-- and --C2-- denoting respective circles are added.

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## REMARKS

This amendment is made for the above-identified case which is a new national stage application. In the specification, the term "inscribed angle  $\theta$ " is changed to "central angle  $\theta$ " to be consistent with Fig. 2(a) which shows a reference sign " $\theta$ ". applicant has also amended the specification, drawings and abstract to meet the current U.S. patent practice.

In the claims, claims 1 and 2 are canceled while new claims 3-10 are added. New claims 3 and 4 are substantially identical in scope with original claims 1 and 2, respectively. New claims 5-10 are all supported by the original description. For example, new claim 5 is supported by the description of paragraph [0045] of the specification, new claim 7 is supported by the paragraph [0046], and new claim 8 is supported by the paragraph [0062].

Applicant respectfully requests the entrance of the amendment before substantive examination of this case.

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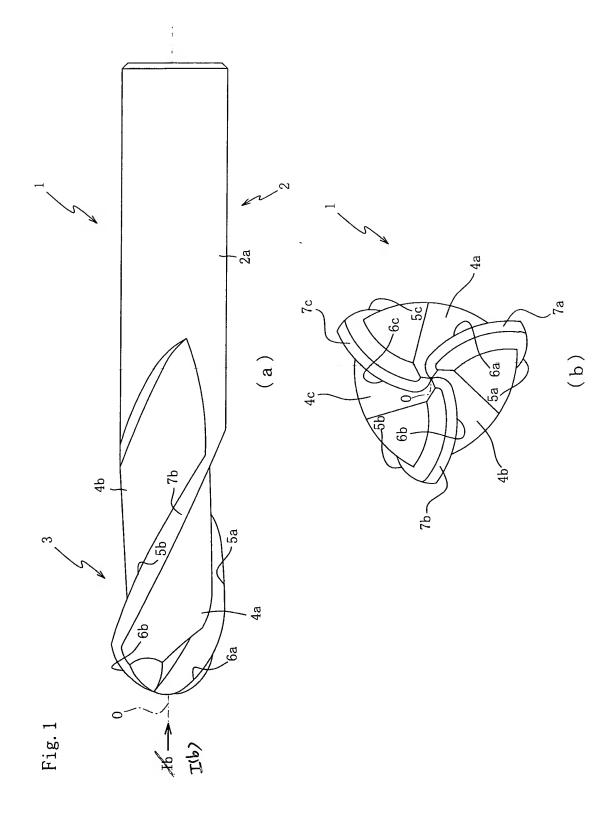


Fig. 2

